

Autumn is in the air – but it's been a great September weatherwise!

School Amalgamation Consultation Meeting

You are invited to attend a drop-in session with members of the Local Authority at the school from 2.30pm to 3.30pm on Wednesday 7th October. This is an opportunity to ask questions about the proposed merger of the infant and junior schools. Refreshments will be available.

Parental Consultations

Accompanying this letter should be an invitation to meet with your child's class teacher. We hope that you will be able to attend what is an important meeting.



Coffee Morning

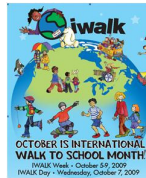
It was great to see so many of you at the Monday Coffee Morning. We would welcome as many of you who can to come along – every Monday morning from 9.00am to 10.00am in the school library. Young children also welcome.



International 'Walk to School' Month

Each class has been given a chart and stickers in respect of October being the

International 'Walk to School' Month. We hope that you will encourage your children who don't walk to school to do so – however short the distance. Of course, it would be even better if you walked with them!



Road Safety Improvements

I am pleased to say that Weymouth & Portland Borough Council are planning to make improvements to the school car park entrance and to narrow the roadway on the High Street in order to create a safer crossing point. It is hoped that this work will be undertaken during the two weeks beginning 12th October.



Cycling to School

Last year, the School Council purchased bike stands in order to encourage cycling to and from school. If your child would like to cycle to school, they will need to wear a cycle helmet and have a means of securing their bikes (e.g. a chain and padlock). Permission slips are available from the school office. We hope to be able to offer cycle training at the school in the near future.



Term Time Holidays

We have recently been inundated with requests for leave of absence during the term time. The Governing Body understands the issues relating to the cost of high and low season holidays and that parents/carers are not always able to take holidays during the school vacations due to their employment.

However, I would ask all parents/carers to consider the importance of attending school on a daily basis. Children who do not attend regularly are disadvantaged in making appropriate progress in their learning.

Finally, I would ask parents/carers of children in Year 6 to not book holidays for the week beginning Monday 10th May 2010 when the children will be engaged in national SAT's.

Morrisons' 'Let's Grow' vouchers



As you will have seen from the banner in the playground, the school is collecting Morrisons' 'Let's Grow' vouchers which are available from their store. The vouchers will enable us to choose gardening equipment to help the children plants and grow in their raised garden beds. Thank you for your donations.

A Reminder

The school closes for the half-term vacation at 3.05pm on Friday 23rd October and re-opens at 8.45am on Monday 2nd November.